

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled).
2. (Previously presented) Method according to claim 6, wherein the additional water volume remains in the pipe for a period of 2 to 3 min.
3. (Previously presented) Method according to claim 6, wherein the pipe is enlarged at the outer diameter by .2 to .3%.
4. (Previously presented) Method according to claim 6, wherein the additional water volume which is taken into consideration as an intended value is determined by filling in a step by step manner an additional water volume into a test pipe until the changes reach a previously determined limit value.
5. (Canceled).

6. (Currently amended) A method for adjusting specific quality characteristics and/or properties of steel pipe by pressure testing, comprising the steps of:

pumping water into an interior of the steel pipe;

conducting a hydrostatic pressure test pursuant to DIN EN 10208 Part 2 using the pumped-in water; and

pumping a predetermined additional volume of water into the steel pipe ongoing from the hydrostatic pressure test so that the steel pipe is ~~loaded~~ slightly stressed in the plastic range.

7. (Currently amended) Method according to claim 6, wherein the method includes adjusting specific quality characteristics and/or properties of steel pipe ~~is~~ for pipelines for combustible media.